

WHAT LOCAL OPTION IS

Many persons honestly are confused as to the exact principle in local option as applied to the restriction of the retail liquor traffic. Others have not a proper understanding of it because those who are interested in the discrediting of the theory purposely misrepresent its provisions and its purposes. Local option really is nothing but home rule. It is designed to give the people of a stated unit of government the power to say for themselves whether or not saloons shall be excluded from that particular territory. In so far as the principle is concerned, there is not a particle of difference between local option by city wards and townships and local option with the county as the unit. In practical effect, of course, there is a wide difference, because the difference is the unit.

...Broadly speaking, local option means the rule of the majority. This principle is the foundation stone of our government. Although it is contemplated that the rights and privileges of the minority shall be given due consideration and respect, after all the scheme necessarily concedes that the expression of the majority shall determine governmental policies, local, state or general.

It is true, of course, that a local option law has the effect to promote temperance by the restriction or by the destruction of the retail liquor traffic. Yet it does not follow that a man who is in favor of a local option law necessarily is opposed to the liquor traffic. One may favor saloons under proper regulation, and yet be a

consistent advocate of local option. A man of this kind stands simply for what we all believe, that the majority of the people should rule.

In practical operation a local option law is of much value even to communities where the sentiment is unfavorable to the elimination of the traffic. It serves the purpose of a menace against the unlawful practices of many saloons. It is freely conceded by nearly everybody who believes that saloons should be permitted existence that saloonkeepers should observe the spirit of the law in regulation of the traffic. No man will contend that a license to retail intoxicating liquors carries with it the privilege of violating the law. Most of the evil of the traffic comes through the disposition to evade certain provisions of the law intended to confine the saloons within due grounds. Many men believe, and there is reasonable ground for their belief, that the principal harm done by the saloon comes from the persistent violation of the law. Therefore a local option law is of great use in keeping the saloons responsive to public sentiment requiring strict observance of law. It is much easier to make the saloons obey the law when they know that the people have in their hands a weapon powerful enough to destroy the traffic at any time when it is the public will so to do.

Local option, then, is not prohibition, nor anything near it. In itself it does not prohibit saloons even in the territorial limit prescribed unless the people themselves see fit to take advantage of the provisions of the law.

JOHN L. WILL GET A GREAT RECEPTION

Famous Pugilist's Friends Are Arranging Great Reception.

Boston, Mass., October 16.—Fifty years ago today there was born in Boston a boy who was destined to become the pugilistic champion of the world and who was to hold the scepter of king over the sporting world for a longer period than any other American before or since his time. He was given the name of John Lawrence Sullivan and as "John L." the name became known in all parts of the world.

Sullivan's old-time friends in Boston are expecting him here at an early date and when he comes they have arranged to hold a monster public reception and testimonial in honor of his fiftieth birthday. Sullivan's return to Boston have always been welcomed by cheering crowds. And his reception have almost been as enthusiastic in recent years as when he was the undisputed champion of the world.

When the ex-champion returned to his home last winter after an absence of several years on the road it was noticed that a great change had come over him. In many respects he was the same "John L." of old, glad to shake hands with his old friends and willing to give his opinion at great length and with oratorical flourish on any subject whatsoever. But before he was many hours in town it was noticed that he was not the old spendthrift Sullivan of old. In fact, it was whispered around town that John was becoming somewhat "near" in his old age.

The fact of the matter is that Sullivan after squandering fortune after fortune, has become strongly imbued with the spirit of New England thrift. Ever since he parted friendship with "John Barleycorn" Sullivan has been making money and some say that he has been making a great deal of it. Some estimate his present fortune as well along in five figures. However this may be it appears unlikely that he will be in need of any of the old-time benefits if he continues to follow his present course.

Sullivan's career, so far as money making enters it, has been a marvelous one. There are few men who have had more opportunities to accumulate a fortune. All kinds of estimates have been made of his winnings while in the fighting game, and the most conservative of these agree that from the time he met Joe Goss in 1880 until he lost the championship to Corbett he had received and spent not less than a million dollars. His earnings ranged from a \$25,000 purse to \$100 or \$1,000 for the simple use of his name, either for advertising purposes or to boom some theatrical combination. One tour of the country netted him \$100,000 in a few months time.

All of his enormous winnings of those days was recklessly squandered and only a few years ago Sullivan returned to Boston with hardly enough money in his pocket to pay for a week's lodging. But with him wisdom appears to have come with age and now, though his earning capacity is much less than when he was in his prime, it is safe to say that he is far better off financially at the end of each year.

Haverford College Celebrates.

Haverford, Pa., Oct. 15.—Two days of celebration began this afternoon at Haverford college in honor of the completion of its first seventy-five years of existence. It was founded in 1833 and was the pioneer of Quaker educational institutions in the United States. Among the graduates are numbered hundreds of men who have distinguished themselves in the professions, in commercial life and in the domain of public affairs. Among the prominent educators from other colleges who are participating in the anniversary exercises are President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton university, George Wharton Pepper of the University of Pennsylvania and Professor Theodore W. Richards of Harvard university.

JAPAN READY TO WELCOME THE FLEET

Sixteen Japanese Battleships Ready to Receive American Fleet.

EVERY DETAIL IS ARRANGED
Program Is So Extensive and Elaborate and There Won't Be a Moment's Rest.

Yokohama, October 16.—Sixteen Japanese battleships, stern and forbidding, are at anchor off this harbor, surrounded by a fleet of steamers, yachts and other craft awaiting the sighting of the American fleet of battleships under the command of Admiral Evans, coming to Japan in response to an invitation extended by the Japanese government. The visit of the American fleet promises to be a great event of historical significance and the Japanese, in preparing for the visitors, have duly recognized the importance of the event. For weeks there has been great excitement in official and social circles over the prospect of the visit and the most elaborate preparations have been made for the reception and entertainment of the nation's guests. The Japanese are great sticklers for etiquette and hospitable to a fault. It was to be expected that they would not let this opportunity pass without making special efforts to do honor to the Americans, whom they have always considered their friends, notwithstanding the local anti-Japanese agitation in San Francisco and elsewhere in the west.

Thoroughness is one of the most striking characteristics of the Japanese and never have they given a better illustration of that fact than in the weeks just passed, when they made and completed the arrangements for the reception and entertainment of the American fleet. Every minute detail has been properly arranged and it may be expected that the program prepared for the occasion will be carried out with the same attention to details which has characterized the work of the Japanese army during the late war in Manchuria.

When the Fleet Comes Into Sight.
The sighting of the American fleet will be the signal for the beginning of the ceremonies of the reception. According to the program the Japanese battleships will weigh anchor and steam out to meet the American fleet, as soon as the latter is in sight. Each one of the battleships has been assigned to escort to the harbor one of the visiting American warships. Together they will steam into the harbor, after having exchanged salutes with the visitors. An enormous fleet of steamers and other craft, loaded with Japanese officials and mere sightseers, will meet the battleships and give them an enthusiastic welcome.

The program for the week of the American fleet's visit is so extensive and elaborate that there will not be a minute's rest for the American officers and men from the moment of their arrival in Yokohama to their departure a week or so hence. It has been arranged that Yokohama and Tokio shall divide the honor of entertaining the visitors. The Americans will spend two days in Yokohama before the scene of hospitality is changed to Tokio, where the most extensive preparations for the occasion have been made. From Tokio the visitors will go to Yokohama, where they will enjoy a few more days of Japanese hospitality before they sail for their home country.

Will Exhibit the Stars and Stripes.
Every house in this city will exhibit during the visit of the Americans, by day as well as by night, lanterns bearing the American flag. The Japanese are famous for their skill in art, decorating and on this occasion they have surpassed themselves in their efforts to do honor to the guests of the nation. The program of reception and entertainment provides both for the officers and men of the American fleet. The officers will be entertained on the day of their arrival at a dinner given

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Full Size Comforters, in dark and medium floral designs, both sides figured, 1.49 value, at. **98c**

Beautiful Floral Sateen Covered Comforters, both sides lined with pure white clean cotton filling, stitched. **2.25**

SOUVENIRS SATURDAY

Women's, Misses' and Children's New-Wearing Apparel

Tailored Suits. We are showing the latest styles fashioned of the new materials, such as broadcloth, serge and two toned striped suitings, Sale price from **22.50** 9.00 to.

Panama Skirts at 4.95. Fine chiffon panama cloth, cut in 9 gored model, finished with straps and buttons down the front, these dressy, nicely tailored skirts are splendid values at this extraordinary price. **4.95**

Fall Footwear at Bargain Prices

Ladies' Patent Colt Vici Kid and Gun Metal Calf Shoes, with light or extension soles, Goodyear welted, lace, button and blucher styles, correct shapes for fall and winter, sizes 2½ to 8, well worth 3.00 the pair, our Fall Opening price. **2.48**

Little Boys' School Shoes, made of box calf leather, solid leather counters, soles and innersoles; sizes 9½ to 13½, reg. 1.35 values, special, per pair. **98c**

SOUVENIRS SATURDAY

Flannelette Wear

Ladies' Gowns, of fine soft finish outing flannel, well made and neatly trimmed, in all qualities, from 1.69 down to. **49c**

Ladies' Short Flannelette Skirts, in neat stripes and colors, priced specially for Fall Opening at. **25c**

Ladies' Daisy Flannel Petticoats, in pink and blue, with deep flounce, specially priced at. **65c**

Knit Underwear

Ladies' Ecru and White Jersey Ribbed Vests, high neck and long sleeves, also ankle length pants, a splendid garment, special value. **50c**

Children's Fleece Lined Vests, also ankle length pants, garments guaranteed not to shrink, sizes 18 to 34, qualities ranging from 45c to. **20c**

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in their honor by the Japanese commander-in-chief of the district and at a reception by Governor Suifuhei of the city of Kanagawa. On the following day they will be guests at a dinner arranged by the mayor of Yokohama and at a reception given by the municipality of this city. These are only the principal features of the first two days. In addition there will be exchange of formal visits by the admirals and rear admirals of the fleets, receptions by various officials and a great many private entertainments, which will practically fill every spare moment to the time of the departure of the visitors for Tokio, where the principal official part of the program will be carried out. The officers will be the guests of the emperor at one of his palaces in Okio and there will be in-

numerable dinners, receptions, garden parties and excursions. On Tuesday the officers will be received in audience by the emperor. The only strictly American function of the week will be the garden party at the American embassy. The sailors will also be well taken care of and everything will be free for them while they are ashore. All theaters and other places of amusement will be open to them free of charge and ample provision has been made for refreshments for the jacks. Even souvenirs have been provided for the men, so that they will have no opportunity to spend any part of their money.

Meeting of Club Women.

Spearfish, S. D., Oct. 16.—A good

attendance of delegates was present at the opening here today of the ninth annual meeting of the Black Hill's Federation of Women's clubs. A two days' program provides for addresses and papers by some of the brightest women in the state. The session will not be all work, however, for interspersed with the more serious business there will be recreation in the form of receptions, luncheons and musical recitals.

McCoy to Don Mitts Again.

New York, Oct. 16.—"Kid" McCoy, who a few years ago was regarded as one of the best pugilists among the light heavyweights, is to be seen in the ring tonight for the first time after

a long retirement. He has signed up for a ten-round bout at the National A. C. with Jim Stewart, the big Brooklyn heavyweight. The match has attracted considerable attention and in the Broadway cafes where sporting men congregate it was the staple of conversation today. The prevailing opinion is that if McCoy has retained anything like his old-time cleverness and hitting powers he should have little trouble in disposing of Stewart, who, though big and powerful, is little better than a novice when it comes to the scientific end of the game.

Northeast Iowa Teachers.

Waterloo, Ia., Oct. 14.—Waterloo is entertaining during the remainder of

this week the fifteenth annual meeting of the Northeast Iowa Teachers' association, which is one of the largest sectional educational bodies in the country. The present convention has attracted more than 1,000 teachers, among whom are a number of educators of prominence. The program of papers, addresses and discussions is considered one of the best ever arranged for a convention of the association.

Twice Told Tales.

"Binks, of all young fathers, is the one I most shun when he begins tales of his offspring's remarkable sayings." "Why so?" "Because Binks' offspring are twins."